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REPORTS FOR THE YEAR 1891.

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD.

SUBMITTED TO THE TRUSTEES JAN. 13TH, 1892.

To the Board of Trustees of the Missouri Botanical Garden:

Since the last annual report many extensive and permanent improvements to the buildings and grounds have been completed, and others are under way, which have necessitated a large expenditure of money, but the results have been eminently satisfactory, and the Garden greatly improved thereby.

The reconstruction of the Garden residence of the late Henry Shaw, which is now used as a residence by the Director of the Garden, and which was about finished at the beginning of the past year, has been entirely completed, and the building is furnished in a suitable manner. Extensive repairs and improvements to the Museum building, and a boiler house and steam plant, costing in the aggregate about \$18,000, have nearly all been paid for during the past year.

Mr. Shaw, in the thirtieth paragraph of the third clause of his will, expressed a desire that his late city residence, located on the southwest corner of Seventh and Locust streets, should be carefully taken down and rebuilt on Tower Grove avenue in some convenient location contiguous to the Garden, for which purpose he left the sum of \$10,000. As a desirable tenant was secured for the premises, on a lease for 100 years, it became necessary to remove the building, but as the lowest

estimate for the removal and rebuilding of the residence was far in excess of the amount left for the purpose, the Board deemed it wise to apply to the courts for instruction in the matter. Judge Jacob Klein, of the Circuit Court of St. Louis, decided that the building must be removed and rebuilt, as near as possible like the original, using the same material as far as practicable, regardless of the cost, and that any amount in excess of the sum designated by Mr. Shaw for the purpose must be paid out of the income of the Trust. As additional room was needed for the Library and Herbarium, you decided to construct the building with that purpose in view, and on account of the inflammable and valuable nature of its contents it was deemed best to make the building as near fire-proof as possible. Contracts were made for the removal and rebuilding, and work was begun in March and finished in December, and the building is now occupied, the contracts having been satisfactorily carried out, at a total cost, including heating, plumbing, etc., of \$33,478.89. The building is an ornament to the Garden.

These heavy expenditures, many of them unavoidable, have largely reduced our surplus of January 1, 1891, besides exhausting our income for the past year, but inasmuch as all the most important and necessary improvements have been made and paid for, the outlay for the coming year will be very much less.

For improvements to the Garden you are referred to the Director's annual report.

The cash receipts and expenditures for the past year are as follows: —

RECEIPTS.

Rent account, including uncollected rents, 1891...	\$85,692 80	
Garden account, sales.....	459 89	
Stock account, sales of wines, etc.....	1,828 98	
Insurance of rents on account of loss by fire.....	216 67	
Removal of residence (Public Administrator)....	10,000 00	98,198 34
Cash on hand January 1, 1891.....		24,205 23
Total receipts.....		<u>\$122,493 57</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Office expense —		
Salary.....	\$2,500 00	
Rent of office.....	450 00	
Stationery, printing, etc.....	951 11	3,901 11
Garden expense —		
Labor.....	20,192 37	
Fuel	1,066 81	
Stable, feed, etc.....	813 79	
Repairs and supplies.....	7,701 46	
Lodge and pupils.....	1,402 62	
Plants, seeds, etc.....	1,020 49	
Herbarium.....	3,199 70	
Library and subscriptions.....	4,261 36	
Garden office expense.....	5,174 25	44,832 85
Garden improvements (Director's residence)....		11,785 35
Property expenses —		
Commissions.....	3,040 72	
Streets, pavements, etc.....	1,489 48	
Taxes (sprinkling).....	1,332 36	
Insurance.....	3,301 84	
Repairs.....	4,944 84	14,109 24
Sundry accounts —		
Legal expenses.....		841 45
Publications.....		1,465 05
Flower show.....		460 00
Flower sermon.....		200 00
Gardeners' banquet.....		381 80
Trustees' banquet.....		914 90
Washington University (School of Botany)....		1,774 86
Removal of residence.....		33,478 89
		<u>\$114,145 50</u>
Cash on hand January 1, 1892.....		8,258 07
		<u>\$122,403 57</u>
Financial condition January 1, 1892 —		
Cash on hand and in bank.....		\$8,258 07
Less amount due Capital Stock for sundry sales		2,332 98
Balance.....		<u>\$5,925 09</u>

The books of the Board have been closed after showing the operations for the year ending December 31, 1891, and the receipts have been disposed of as follows: —

Rent account to January 1, 1892, including uncollected rents January 1, 1891.....	\$85,692 80
Less uncollected rents for 1891.....	7,349 50
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Rents collected in 1891, 11 months.....	78,343 30
Surplus January 1, 1891, including uncollected rents for 1891.....	31,050 73
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	\$109,394 03

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Garden expenses.....	\$44,372 96
Office expenses.....	3,901 11
Commission (for collecting rents).....	3,040 72
Repairs (to revenue property).....	4,944 84
Insurance.....	3,085 17
Taxes (sprinkling).....	1,332 36
Streets, pavements and sewers.....	1,489 48
Legal expenses.....	841 45
Washington University (School of Botany)..<	1,774 86
Trustees' annual banquet.....	914 90
Gardeners' " "	381 80
Publications.....	1,465 05
Garden improvements (Director's residence)..<	11,785 35
Annual flower show	460 00
Annual flower sermon.....	200 00
Removal and rebuilding Shaw residence.....	23,478 89
Surplus January 1, 1892.....	5,925 09
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Respectfully submitted,

R. J. LACKLAND, *President.*

Attest,

A. D. CUNNINGHAM, *Secretary.*